

Academic Year 2015 ~ 2016

Calendars are subject to change. Dates and events are added or changed as information becomes available.

Item	Fall – 2015	Spring - 2016	Summer - 2016	
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Course offerings open for viewing	Feb 23	Sep 28	Jan 25	Jan 25
Registration begins*	Mar 16	Oct 12	Feb 8	Feb 8
Advising Days	Sep 3 – 4	Jan 7 – 8	N/A	N/A
One- Stop Convenience Center	Aug 31 – Sep 11	8, 11 - 14	N/A	N/A
Classes begin	Sep 8	Jan 11	May 9	Jun 30
Tuition and fees due	Sep 1	Jan 11	May 9	Jun 30
Last day to drop/add classes	Sep 14	Jan 15	May 13	Jul 7
Census	Sep 15	Jan 19	May 16	Jul 8
\$100 Late Add fee begins	Sep 16	Jan 20	May 17	Jul 9
Begin recording withdraws as "W" on transcript	Sep 16	Jan 20	May 17	Jul 9
Last day to withdraw from classes	Nov 9	Mar 21	Jun 6	July 25
Final Exam Week	Dec 14 – 18	Apr 25 – 29	N/A	N/A
Semester Ends	Dec 19	Apr 30	Jun 29	Aug 19
Refunds				
Last day to receive 100% refund	Sep 14	Jan 15	May 13	Jul 7
Last day to receive 90% refund for a complete withdrawal	Sep 17	Jan 21	N/A	N/A
Last day to receive 50% refund for a partial withdrawal	Sep 21	Jan 25	N/A	N/A
Last day to receive a 50% refund for a complete withdrawal	Oct 2	Feb 8	May 20	Jul 12
Last day to receive a 25% refund for a complete withdrawal	Oct 28	Mar 7	Jun 3	Jul 25
Grades				
First work grades due	Sep 27	Feb 15	N/A	N/A
Midterm grades due	Oct 25	Mar 14	N/A	N/A
Final grades due**	Dec 22	May 3	Jul 5	Aug 23
Graduation				
Last day to apply for graduation	Aug 1	Dec 1	Feb 1	Feb 1
Commencement	Dec 19	Apr 30	Jun 25	N/A
Holidays and Recesses				
Labor Day	Sep 7			
Thanksgiving (begins at noon)	Nov 25			
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day recess, convocation and activities		Jan 18		
Spirit Day		Mar 4		
Spring Break		Mar 7 – 11		
Memorial Day			May 30	
Independence day recess				Jul 4

- * WMU uses a priority registration system. See <http://www.wmich.edu/registrar/calendars/index.html>
- ** Grades may be viewed online through the students GoWMU account after 5 PM on the due date.

Western Michigan University operates on a split trimester calendar. Fall and Spring semesters are each fifteen (15) weeks. Summer I and Summer II sessions are each seven and one-half (7 1/2) weeks.

Adding classes late

Approval to add a course after the drop/add period must be obtained from the instructor. A \$100 late fee will be assessed per course if at least one course has not been registered prior to the end of the drop/add period.

Drop

During open registration students may drop one or more courses for 100% refund and the record of the class will not show on their transcript. Beginning the day after registration closes, students may no longer drop a course. Students now must "withdraw" to officially stop taking a course.

Partial withdrawal

A partial withdrawal means withdrawing from one or more courses but NOT the entire schedule. A "W" appears on the transcript for each course withdrawn. A "W" does not affect the grade point average.

Complete withdrawal

A complete withdrawal means withdrawing from all courses for the rest of the term. A "W" appears on the transcript for each course withdrawn. A "W" does not affect the grade point average.

Exception

If a class does not meet for the first time until after the last day to register then the student has a 24-hour grace period to drop the course for a full 100% refund. After that, a student must withdraw to officially stop taking the course.

Caution

Depending on the dates, students may receive a partial refund of tuition; however, even if they haven't paid anything they, are still financially responsible for their tuition.